CREAM OF OUR EXCHANGES.

After September 1 prairie chicken may That I prairie chichen had better look out for

himself. At an open-air concert in Boston on a Sunday And all summer long she fairly humped

Down cast they call it the Workingmen's. Instead of the crap all gettin' drowned, Thar wuz sixty to the aker on that low, ground: Morgan" and "Whoa, Emma."

don't-want-a-dollar party. "The Bob-Tailed Bull of Ballard" is an independent candidate for congress in the First Ken-

tucky district. Let the ice cream .- Rochester Democrat. Let

the lemon ade it. - Whitehall Times. Let the claret punch it. - Kankakee Gazette.

keep house alone .- New Orleans Picayane.

Mackenzie puzzles Mexican diplomats. They do not understand why he makes raids without committing robberies .- N. O. Picagune.

Perhaps Lot's wife was turned into a pillar of salt because she was "too fresh."—Graphic.
Well, it "cured" the pork creature anyway.— Wheeliny Leader. Before the "o" let there appear

Twice twenty-five, and five in rear; One-fifth of eight subjoin, and then You'll find what 'tis that conquers men.

anything. "That's because you didn't attend to your legitimate business," said his wife.

ning rod men are needed at once in Memphis. death and ring for the porter to draw off the gazing woefully downward, and thinking "it"

the language have repose.

ple of France can't stand everything.

when she commences to weep, generally wins a congressman over to her side. From this it would appear that our congress is partially run to would appear that our congress is partially run to would appear that our congress is partially run. would appear that our congress is partially run by water power.—Narristown Herald.

amend the Ten Commandments,

-Joliet Republican.

"What monarch do I mind you of, My little one!" said Gaspar, As with his ever-handy arms He suddenly did clasp her; "I cannot tell," she made reply, The while he sought to squeez 'cr. "You can". Why ben't I something like A modern Julia seizer?"

- Youker's Gazette. Supper."

Now fitfully the fly surveys the editorial phiz, and busily from hour to hour he hymns his little bizz, and when he woos the scribe to smack his any there were—"I'm sorry I praised you,"

all of them, we are not so sure. And when we the light of his countenance shall beam serene. pleme Court goes farther and holds that unlook at the beautiful young lady, with nothing ly on the happy throng of dancers? On but a blue ribbon round her waist, with one. There is one subject that has engage

Eliza Augusta Post, his wife, that she would have twins. She thought she knew what she was broke down. coolly set about to accomplish his peculiar designs. She, being a helpless female, taxed in ingrecently to refresh herself with a glass of me and their value when reclaimed, as they time we have our opinion of a man who would subject his wife to the wear and tear of losing the het, simply to win a colt for a child he never

LOW, PLAT LAND.

wuz a man and his name was Brown, And this here feller was awfully down In the mouth, for his crap wuz liken to drown, Becuz his eighty wuz low, fiat land.

His very midriff hit aked and pined As he noticed how the weather rained and rained; and he dratted his eighty hit couldn't be drained; And his corn wuz yeller and the weeds they

gained.

And the tadpoles threatened to take that land. If a cloud came up as big as a gourd, Why, that was couff, and hit ripped and roared As if all the water that ever wus stored

Since the day of Nosh had suddenly poured On that miserable eighty of low, flat land. The weather buro hit was all in a muss,

And instead of gettin' better the weather got wuss; And Brown 'lowed he wouldn't raise nothing

But Missis Brown she used to smile, And she sed she thought it wan't wurth while For human to let their temper spile When Providence wanted for to moisten the sile And drip a little water on that low, flat land.

And so, while Brown he poked and slumped, His wife she wan't a partikle stumpt; And into the wee's this woman she jumped, evening, the irreverent boys demanded "Johnny Herself to make a crop on that low, flat land. And when the corn-getherin' time came round,

ground; And Brown said he reckoned as how he'd found

Hit wuz more in the woman than hit wuz in the land.—Monmouth (Ill.) Review.

From Seneca.

SENECA, Aug. 22, 1878. Some gushing poet has written "These are Blue Jeans Williams tells the Nationals he likes feelings that words cannot measure." I had will be taught by Miss Eva Clark. but that there is not enough of them to read the words ofter, but never felt the force of them until a short time ago, when the admirable partner of my joys and sorrows threw open the door of my sanctum, where I sat comfortably meditating, and, after shutting it. braced herself against it. Such an unusual proceeding on her part caused me to elevate my eye brows and lower my pedal appendages, which had been resting gracefully upon the window sill, and inquire as calmly as possible what had happened. "Happened?" said my pump on his farm. lady, growing more excited, "Sancho, I'm coming home, complained that he hadn't killed ashamed of you. What made you ever write a which John Malbrake lives. line for any of the papers here? You know that if we were at our home in Calumet, Nevada papers, instead of speaking of a deceased citizen as being widely and favorably known, remark: "There wasn't a saloon-keeper in the State who didn't ache to trust him."—Free it would be different, for everybody knows you greatly. once upon a time had been sweeter than music Organ-grinders make from \$14 to \$16 a day at to mine ears; that roused me, and springing Grenada Miss. Book agents are in great demand at New Orleans. A hundred able-bodied light in the most approved style, and exclaimed, "Zounds! Madam, explain me this mystery," get'em down on the hoor and choke 'em to put your foot in it now." In what? said 1, mourn his loss. must have been of good dimensions. "Why," Boston girls say awfully mag for perfectly said madame, "you've made a grand blunder county, Pa. splendid. Now, for mercy's sake, let this thing -just like you." N. B. I'm so used to comstop right here. Don't let us have perfectly del, pliments that I never stop to say 'thank you.'

or perfectly scrum, or anything of that kind. Let "One person said the FREE TRADER man had no business to publish that article; another Oats are shocked. And so were we Wednesday one said you ought to be excluded from the night to see a lot of young ladies bathing in the bar one said you ought to be excluded from the Hickory creek near the Cut Off track. But, hall if you could be identified for ridiculing thank heaven, we had a fast horse and were soon ladies, &c. I'm told that one of the most de-The Hawkeye reports that several Americans where the Partitle Part have been guillotined in Paris for persisting in slur on his and the Baptist church." Suppos. mining purposes, across the lands of others, speaking the French language. The French ing that my wife's speech was made, and pergovernment justifies its course by saying the peo. ceiving her look of weariness, I invited her thereof with power to construct and maintain to take the "sleepy hollow" I had vacated, drains, ditches and levees and keep in repair all An exchange says a pretty female lobbyist Sinking into it, instead of resting quietly, she

no more of. "Sancho, you showed very little culiar talents by unanimously appointing him a and but for you, few would have known what all that need be said on the subject: committee of one to revise the Lord's Prayer and the book was. Another thing, that lady, tho' To those familiar with the legislation and word ed? If so, you will oblige me by retiring." vote in the Senate.

for having treated madam S. so uncavalierly. for the construction of the work.

journalistic nose, he lights upon a summit baid and clasps his little toes,—Jolet Republican. suck a spirit of broad liberality manifesting The editor of the Marshall (Iowa) Statesman itself. Many who never would dance, and are and was decided in 1876, and can be found in had been gness mica of easy working, but at says that, after considering the question all win- now too old to learn how, signify their approv- 81st III. Repts. pg. 49-Updike vs. Wright. ter, he comes to the conclusion every spring that al by attending and looking on, while the oth. Another case went no from this county which the circus is immoral; but then the bill poster comes along with the big pictures, and his mind changes as follows: As we gaze at the lious, tigers and monkeys and think that nature made tend to a certain worthy old gentleman, until on the Wabash and is not reported. The Su-

leg pointing to six o'clock and the other to high thoughts of late. It is sodn. Gin, brandy, rum right to delegate to any corporate authority, rock met with has been chiefly quartz, rendernoon, and think that nature made her, too, just and wine have been driven out of good society, as she was, except the ribbon, we begin to lean beer and cider put into the back-ground, but as she was, except the ribbon, we begin to lean up to the circus. But when the brass band begins to play and the elephants go round, we rush for a front scat to get in ahead of the ministers, who always wear stove-pipe hats and won't sit me, or I would enlarge upon the subject. As me, or I would enlarge upon the subject upon the subject as the line may be completed by the end of the the line may be completed by the end of upon the subject as the line may be completed by the end of upon the subject as the line may be completed by the end of upon the subject as the line may be completed by the end of upon the subject as the line may be completed by the end of upon the subject as the line may be completed by the end of upon the subject as the line may be completed by the end of upon the subject as the line which admiringly publishes Bob Ingersoff's lec. tell you a little story or two." A young man tures, that would be guilty of telling a story like of Seneca lately went to Braceville. While Women should never bet. It is productive of some soda water. Now, mark the consequence. Dixon), in the belief that he was posted, bet ternoon his horse "gave out," in other words,

I might enumerate many more cases showing results and effects of the soda fountain, but and eighty-six dollars, and which will be I'll go on no further than to say that a glass of worth when reclaimed fifty two million nine soda with a gill of "don't care" flavored with hundred and three dollars, being an increase me, for a soda fountain had something to do main correct. with making a married man of

SANCHO PANZA.

nce received an odd official communication. of levees for their protection, in two years, by and is a welcome weekly visitor to our table. The Raeborn postmaster, new to his duties, ordinary ditching, tiling and other drainage, writing to his superior officer: "Seeing, by there can be rescued from water and put in the regulations, that I am required to send you a letter of advice, I must plead in excuse that I have been postmaster but a short time; but the State, equal to an addition of 45,000,000 asking, "Ma, is he not done?" "When will be I will say, if your office pays no better than bushels of corn or 2,000,000, to the number of the done?" The minister stood up to make hogs produced annually in this state.

The cost distributed among the owners, each the little fellow turned to his mother, with but pus-Ley, and he didn't do nothin' but cuss And mope around the edge of that low, flat land. was quietly poking fun at him. whether his subordinate was an ignoramus or man supervising his own expenditure, will be horror pictured on his face, saying, "Ma, he is

From Brooklyn.

BROOKLYN, LASALLE Co., Aug. 28. A new correspondent takes off his hat, make bow and goes to work :

Deaner & Boustough have shelled the crib of corn which they owned in partnership. Mr. John Sommer has started for Kansas to

through the neighborhood in a splendid new others.

Mr. and Mrs. Deaner have been visiting W.

Paw Paw during last week. The school in District No. 8 has closed, and home in Amboy.

A young man, of Four Mile Grove, who way occasionally.

Mr. Miller is the happy man now. His wife has arrived from Germany.

Mr. Ed. Short and his father-in-law, Mr. Kroom, have rented the farm belonging to Mr. D. L. Harris, near West Brooklyn. Mr. Schwitchenburg has put up a wind-

Mr. Ott has been repairing the house in

barn, which improves the looks of his place said election shall vote for the proposed

while the family were at church. Miss Minnie Bouslough has been very sick. but is getting better.

"Well, why did you make any comments on the hope of regaining his health, is buried beted to mash mosquitoes on the walls, but must the dancing of the Red Ribbon people? You've you'd the sea. He leaves many friends to difficult. Before the decision of the Supreme well as upon the ability to disguise the voice,

Mr. Milton Bouslough was suddenly called HARRY DALE.

THE DRAINAGE AMENDMENT.

the people of Illinois are called upon, at the election in November next, to vote on the following proposed amendment to the state con- In other words, if the amendment should be

drains, ditches and levees heretofore construct

The Nebraska Greenbackers have on their tick. sense in saying that young lady read her selector from the Hon. A. C. Matthews in which shall set forth the proposed amendment. et one candidate who was in 1863 a member of tion from a school book. She certainly had a the reasons and necessity for this amendment There is danger that this will be overlooked the State Legislature, which recognized his peright to select such a piece as she could read, are so ably and fully stated, that we copy it as attention to it. In conclusion allow me to

young, is making her mark. I hear that she decisions of our Supreme Court on this sub-It is said that Kearney takes off his coat more eloquently than any other public speaker in the country. He probably does it to show that, in madame," said I, with a quietness I was far like the Chinese, he wears his shirt inside his pants. If he would let a piece of it stick out be hind, it would win him many rounds of applause.

Young, is making her mark. I hear that she decisions of our Supreme Court on this subject has to en ject, an explanation is not at all necessary. So declared unconstitutionals to the reclaimed in rounders amount to 1,800,000 and importance of the amendment, that there were importance of the amendment, that there were pants. If he would let a piece of it stick out be hind, it would win him many rounds of applause.

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The said that Kearney takes off his coat more is the 'principal writer' of our town." "Now, is the 'principal writer' of our supreme Court on this subject. The subject has to declared unconstitutionals to declared unconstitutionals to the reclaimed in rounder amounts of the reclaimed in rounder and the reclaimed in rounders amount to 1,800,000 and the subject has the decisions of our Supreme Court on this subject. The subject has the decisions of our Supreme Court on this subject. The subject has the decisions of our Supreme Court on this subject. The subject has the decisions of our Supreme Court on this subject. The subject has the decisions of our Supreme Court on the subject has the d

Which she did. Once more alone, I turned of 1874,) under the supposed powers contained Shall it be done? Yours truly,

A. C. Matthews. the key in the door and resumed my former in Sec. 31, of Art. 4, of the constitution of 1870, position. But my tranquility was gone. To passed a general act entitled "An act to prothink I had tried to express my admiration of vide for the construction of drains, ditches certain people and had been misunderstood- levees and other works," containing some fifty so little appreciated. I sought my meer-drains, ditches, levees and other works, for schaum, my consoler. As the blue wreaths of agricultural and sanitary purposes, to be paid An enthusiastic Greenbacker, of Stark County, smoke curled over my distracted head, my for by a system of special assessments made

to find upon his table only a table-cloth, a nap. some malicious gossip had been "calling" at By reading that act carefully, it will be obkin and a plate in which was a card, "This is a our house, and anathematized myself as a boor served that all the vitality it has is the right which will be eight miles long when comto go upon and tax the lands benefitted to pay pleted:

This right our Supreme Court has decided cannot be exercised under Sec. 31, Art. 3, of 3,326 feet were made practicable, being 1,500 the present constitution, by its construction in metres less than was calculated on in the esti-

The first went up from Crawford county, has not been reported, but the first case covers mes of dynamite per metre-double what was

The third case went up from some county der section 9, Art. 9, of the constitution of 1870, which they hold to be a limitation on the tax. There is one subject that has engrossed my ing power, that the General Assembly has no except that of cities, towns and villages, the right to make local improvements by special

It you will examine these cases carefully you will find that all our legislation that can in ease they should be needed. The number be of any general importance on the subject of of workmen employed varies considerably there some friends persuaded him to drink drains, ditches and levees has been held unconstitutional.

Some time last winter I had a conference with Mr. Fisher of the Agricultural Depart were 1,655 at the north and in July 2,224 at the ment at Springfield. To get this matter before the people, and to show the facts, he undertook from 48 to 159 engineers. The black list shows about, and bet a pair of colts, to go to the twins A lady of Morris, an engaging widow, with to get through his correspondents, at my sugin case she lost. He took the bet, and then a brace of little dears," was induced one morn, gestion, a table showing the number of acres ue and their value when reclaimed, as they this land of liberty without the right to vote, was not match for him. The contest took place Sat urday last. Dr. Hunt was a member of the returning board. The contest was a close one. For store-keeper of this place. Young ladies and tion, in the event of its adoption. His corresshe didn't. The returns, on their face, showed that she didn't. (N. B.—Each return weighs eight punds.) Mr. Post is clated. At the same water. which are now valued at twelve million eight hundred and sixty-nine thousand two hundred And he lived about a mile and a half from town: half a tenspoonful of prussic acid, will "lay three hundred and seventeen dollars. The in. It is a targe, handsome 4-page paper published out" the strongest six footer in this country- crease is about twenty-three dollars per acre. at Georgetown, Col., by Patterson & Bellaney. It or any other. The subject is a serious one to These figures, I have no doubt, are in the is at present giving illustrations of some of the

The Chicago Tribune in a late article on "it is not extravagant to assume that leaving pages Elled to overflowing with handsome illus out of the calculation the lands along the river trations and interesting reading matter. It is a The Postmaster-General of the United States bottoms, and those requiring the construction fitting chronicler of events of that growing state,

small when compared with the returns."

To my mind these are all the reasons that need be stated. They are in the interest of ag-

riculture, cheap lands and labor. ing these lands are not asking money, or doa majority vote of the people interested.

In our county we have constructed a levee along the banks of the Mississippi river over "Petroleum V. Nasby, the teacher, Miss Hook, has returned to her fifty miles in length, at large expense, and if it amendment is adopted, and we get the neces made yoo her heir. The estate is with suthin The fall term of school in District No. 2 sary legislation, it will reclaim over 100,000 over \$40,000. Write how you want it. acres of the best lands of Illinois in one body. As soon as the law under which we were

lost his hat going home one Sabbath evening, found it impossible to raise a cent to keep it is not discouraged; he still visits over this in repair by taxation, and we had to resort to of Commoonism. The idea uv dividin up voluntary contributions like building a church, property become to me to-wunst the most re or that purpose.

constitution provides as follows: amendment shall be submitted to the electors an aunt's eye brow. of the state, for adoption or rejection at the next election of members of the General As sembly, in such manner as may be provided Mr. Nowman has been building a large by law; and if a majority of electors, voting at amendment it shall become a part of the constitution of the state.

amendment or it will be defeated.

beyond question.

the event of the adoption of the amendment Union. away to his mother's burnal, in Huntington The legislation should not be voluminous. should be simple in character, and easy of exe-

cution. Before the matter got into court we supposed As our readers have already been advised, our constitution was sufficient and that the legislation of 1871 would, with an occasional amendment, be all we would need to enable us to reclaim our swamp and overflowing lands. adopted our constitution will be what we sup-"The General Assembly may pass laws permitting the owners of lands to conduct drains,

As before stated, the fear is that the interior ounties will be indifferent on the subject, and that as a consequence there will be a detault against us. Sec. 3 of the act of 1877, (amendments to constitution pg. 5.) provides that the several county clerks shall send with the election notices required by Sec. 46 of the election laws, notice that the amendment will be sub-We find in the Pike County Democrat a let-mitted to a vote of the people, which notices attention to it. In conclusion allow me to add, that the whole case can be stated in a

All our legislation on the subject has been

ue. These lands cannot be reclaimed except The General Assembly in 1874, (See Statute by the adoption of the proposed amendment

The St. Gothard Tunnel, The greatest tunnel, now being bored, is the

six sections, providing for the construction of St. Gothard, under the Alps, to connect Germany with Italy, as the Mount Cenis tunnel connected France with Italy. The money is O., while waiting for supper at a wayside inn, dwelt upon the advantages of paper money, and was much surprised on entering the dining-room was much surprised on entering the dining-room.

Concluded that mistakes had been made; that concluded that mistakes had been mistakes had been mistakes had been mistakes had been mistakes h

"On the north side of the mountain a length

of tunnel of 11,053 feet was pierced, of which mates. Difficulties in the working account for this falling off. Up to November the rock that time the workmen come on beds of serpentine, which required thirty-three kilogramneeded for the gneiss-for blasting. The facing of the tunnel proceeds at the rate of 200 metres per month on an average. On the south side 4,381 feet have been pierced, instead of 5,100, as estimated; and in the tannel of Airolo there is a falling off of 1,000 feet from the estimated quantity for the year. Here the ing the perforation very difficult. On the whole, the progress has been nowhere so great nel, and sixty-four other machines are at hand with the seasons of the year; thus in February there were only 1,176 at the north end and 1,542 at the south, while in September there south end; these workmen are directed by fore purchasing elsewhere. 31 men wounded and 60 killed in the tunnels Stock larger and prices lowsince the beginning of the work."

The pastor and the Sunday school superintendent of a Methodist church, in Oberlin, O. were at loggerheads. The latter had been formally voted out, but he persisted in conduct ing the Sunday school. As he stood on the platform, the pastor and a stalwart committee entered, took off their coats, and began an effort to expel him. A lively faction fight ensued, in which women as well as men joined, and clubs were freely used.

Among our exchanges from the west we have one of unusual excellence, The Colorado Miner, romantic security and notable towns and cities of the state. The issue of Aug. 3 contained 10

A little Maine chap was taken to church for swelling up again."

I wuz makin the speech uv the nite. It wuz a georgus effect. I wuz in the middle uv As you will observe the special assessments it. I wuz showin that all property wuz robunder the proposed amendment are to be levied bery, and that in a troo republic one man against the property benefitted thereby—which excludes all other property. The parties ownmittin one man to hav hoardid up that wich nations, or contributions, but simply the right he coodent yoose, when others, made in the of reclaiming their own lands at their own ex- same image, wuz a hungrin and thurstin. I pense. It is the permission to help themselves wuz demonstratin the necessity uv ekel divis Mr. John B. McBride, of Paw Paw, passed that they are asking and not the assistance of ion uv all property, real and personal, with others. Even then, according to the holdings laws prohibitin accoomoolashen by havin a of our Courts, under the proposed amendment divishen every Fourth of Jooly, when a boy no special assessment can be levied, except by entered the meetin house with a telegram for me. It was breef, and too the pint: "Saint's Rest, Noo Jersey, Jooly 15.

Confederit X Roads, Ky.

"Yoor Aunt Mehitable died yisterday, and "SMITH & SLOCUM, Attorneys.

I seed a lite. To-wunst my feelings experioperating was declared unconstitutional we enced a revulsion. I hed a sudden change uv pulsive thing in the world. \$40,000 is \$4,000 What is true of lands in our county is true a yeer-and four thousand a yeer means comof all other counties in the state bordering on fort and elegance for me. Wat good wood it the rivers, in a greater or less degree. The do to divide it up? and beside I found a doubt fear is that the amendment will be allowed to ez to whether a man wuz ever entitled to any be defeated by default, that is by parties not thing more than he really amasses by honest voting on the subject. Art. 14. Sec. 2, of the industry, or—possibly inherits. I can't see "Said that it is wrong to live by the honest sweat uy

The juveniles have a new game called Blind Man's Mockery," out of which they are getting lots of vacation amusement. One of the party is blind-folded, and, while he is counting twenty-five the others range them selves as miscellaneously as possible in a row, Mr. M. E. Bouslough's house was entered From this you will see that a majority of and hold out their hands. The "blind man' and eleven dollars and other articles stolen, those voting at the election must vote for the slaps somebody's hands, at the same time in quiring, "Who are you?" The youngster Every voter failing to vote on the subject slapped rather impolitely replies, "None of will be a vote against it. The papers through- your business," and the "blind man" is obliged out the state are taking this subject up, and in to guess his name from the sound of his voice. Mr. Yost has returned from Germany; but that way the people will get to understand it, He can guess but once, and, if he fails, must his nephew, Johnny, who went with him with and when they do the amendment will pass try some one else until he guesses right, when the one whom he detects becomes "the man." Janney's New Patent Safety Plat-The legislation on the subject will not be The game depends upon quickness of ear, as Court in 1876, we supposed we had substan- and it shows a wonderful difference in chil tially, the legislation that will be needed in dren in both respects.—Springfield (Mass. **Elegant Eating Houses,**

> There are two capital dishes suitable to the season that should abound in families and restaurants-the succotash of tomato and corn and the blackberry pudding. The latter requires in its minimum proportions a quart of black. perries, a quart of flour, a pint of unskimmed milk, three tablespoonfuls of chopped beefsuct, a desert spoonful of baking powder and two tablespoonfuls of ground loaf-sugar. Bag this compound for steaming, and do not boil Reaches Pittsburgh 2.30 x, M. Harrisburg, 11.45 x, M.: Phil it. Wine sauce, dry or liquid. For the other M.; Baltimore, 8.30 P. M.: Washington, 9 P. M.; hext day. dish, that consorts nicely with breast of lamb, grate six cars of sweet corn into the tomatoes boil, starringly, for another quarter hour, and there is evolved a blessing for an anchorite's palate. Apropos also of the senson: Sponge, cake, banana and peach works a place. cake, banana and peach make a nice combina 9:10 P. M. Night Exp. ex. Saturday tion for a baked pudding with port wine sauce.

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